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closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims						
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-21</u> is/are pending in the application	on.					
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-21</u> is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and	/or election requirement.					
Application Papers						
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.						
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.						
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).						
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).						
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received						
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3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage						
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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1-21 are pending in this application filed November 03, 2003.

Applicant's claims are directed toward aluminum-zirconium antiperspirant salts with low M:Cl ratio.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1.

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

⁽e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

2.

Claims 1-14 and 16-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Chopra et al. USP 6,375,937 B1.

Chopra et al. disclose antiperspirant salts for enhanced cosmetic products and the process of making the same. In column 2, Chopra further discloses that the referenced aluminum zirconium tetrachlorohydrex glycine salts have a metal to chloride ratio in the range of 0.9 to 1.2 to 1.00. In column 2, Chopra further discloses that the referenced aluminum-zirconium tetrachlorohydrate meets the claimed limitations of the formula claimed by applicant. Further Chopra discloses that the glycine is in particulate or powdered form. HPLC reveals that the aluminum is contained in peaks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Applicant's recitation that aluminum is found in at least four successive peaks labeled peaks 2 to 5 with substantially all of the aluminum found at peaks 3, 4 and 5 meets this limitation. Chopra discloses that silicone is a carrier in the referenced composition. In column 5, Chopra further discloses that the antiperspirant composition may take many different forms such as liquid, lotion, cream, gel, semi-solid and solid stick.

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Chopra discloses each and every aspect of the invention as claimed by the applicant in the instant invention.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

4.

Claim 15 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chopra et al. USP 6,375,937 B1 in view of Herb et al. USP 5,534,246.

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cosmetic products and the process of making the same. In column 2, Chopra further discloses that the referenced aluminum zirconium tetrachlorohydrex glycine salts have a metal to chloride ratio in the range of 0.9 to 1.2 to 1.00. In column 2, Chopra further discloses that the referenced aluminum-zirconium tetrachlorohydrate meets the claimed limitations of the formula claimed by applicant. Further Chopra discloses that the glycine is in particulate or powdered form. HPLC reveals that the aluminum is contained in peaks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Applicant's recitation that aluminum is found in at least four successive peaks labeled peaks 2 to 5 with substantially all of the aluminum found at peaks 3, 4 and 5 meets this limitation. Chopra discloses that silicone is a carrier in the referenced composition. In column 5, Chopra further discloses that the antiperspirant composition may take many different forms such as liquid, lotion, cream, gel, semi-solid and solid stick. Chopra discloses each and every aspect of the invention as claimed by the applicant in the instant invention with the exception of the clear antiperspirant gel composition being in the form of an oilin-water emulsion.

Herb et al disclose roll-on or gel antiperspirant compositions comprising aluminum-zirconium tetrachlorohydrex glycine complexes.

Note claim 8. In claim 1, Herb further discloses that said antiperspirant compositions are water-in oil emulsions. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art at the time

the invention was made to have made the antiperspirant compositions of Chopra into oil-in-water emulsions in view of the teachings of both references that aluminum-zirconium antiperspirant compositions may take many different forms depending on the desired end-product.

5.

The Examiner acknowledges receipt and approval of terminal disclaimers filed 03/29/2004 over USP 6,649,152 and USP 6,436,381.

6.

The Examiner further acknowledges Ex Parte Reexamination Certificate US 6,375,937 Cl issued on September 14, 2004.

Information Disclosure Statement

7.

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on September 30, 2004 was noted and the submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the examiner has

considered the information disclosure statement and made it of record.

Telephone Inquiries

8.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shelley A. Dodson whose telephone number is (571) 272-0612 and fax number (571) 273-0612. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz can be reached at (571) 272-0887.

9.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 8:45 AM to 4:45 PM. This new location should be used in all instances when faxing any

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